

BTRDA Autotest Championship By Duncan Wild

Specials Dominate Welsh Weekend

Kennings Autotest – Caernarvonshire and Anglesey Motor Club 12th July 2008

There was a unique result on the eighth round of the Demon Tweeks BTRDA Autotest Championship in mid July. Stephen Wild in the ABS Freestyle set FTD ahead of his father Duncan who was sharing the same car. Duncan took an initial lead when Stephen had four penalties on the first round of tests. Once Stephen settled into the tests he clawed back the gap to take his first win of the year and repeat his win from last year. Richard Pinkney had a maximum when his throttle broke, letting Gordon Holmes through for the class win but the positions were reversed the following day. In the Saloon class, John Moffatt was on a mission and had an excellent third overall and the class win. He continues his close battle with Gavin Dickson as they share the class wins this year. The tests used the roads of the Anglesey Showground with several tight changes of direction. Two open tests on the open area near the building provided more usual tests. The surprise of the day was the lack of retirements, only Roy Higginson having to do some welding before the following day.

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The competitors moved to the East of Wales for the Sunday event. Here the tests were laid out by Duncan Wild on the car parks of championship sponsor, Demon Tweeks. Alistair Moffatt and Dave Mosey in Mini Specials joined in and took the first two places. Dave suffered a complete electrical failure on test 1 with the resultant maximum. Thereafter he set many fastest times but he was unable to overhaul Alistair who has not been beaten this year on a BTRDA event. This victory gave him a clean sweep in the MSA Championship and he is the 2008 Champion. Stephen Wild had another poor first round and was on catch up all day. There was a close battle for third place. Stuart Perren held second until Dave Mosey passed him then Richard Pinkney in his Caterham then moved into a clear third place. With one round of tests remaining it couldn't have been closer. Richard was on 567.7, Stuart in the Retrotester on 572.5, Malcolm Livingston in the Lindsay Special on 572.9 and Stephen on 573.4. Stephen overhauled Malcolm and Stuart on the next test with 1.6 secs covering them and on the last test Stepehn took third and Malcom overtook Stuart for fifth. Gavin Dickson reversed the positions from the previous day and beat John Moffatt as they continued their close competition in the Novas. Howard Everingham took another class win to consolidate his lead in the Silver Star Championship.

Results

Organisers: Caernarvonshire and Anglesey MC

Where: Anglesey Showground

Championships: BTRDA, WAMC, ANWCC

Starters: 29

1 Stephen Wild (ABS Freestyle) 747.01; 2 Duncan Wild (ABS Freestyle) 760.82; 3 John Moffatt (Nova) 785.73; 4 Malcolm Livingston (Lindsay Special) 791.82; 5 Gordon Holmes (Westfield) 795.75; 6 Richard Pinkney (Caterham) 801.51; 7 Steve Morten (RAW Striker) 811.51; 8 Gavin Dickson (Nova) 832.57; 9 Mike Sones (Nova) 838.48; 10 Ian Chapman (RAW Striker) 841.97. Class Winners: Dave Goodlad (Mini) 922.71; Howard Everingham (Mini) 856.35; Moffatt; P Forbister (Striker) 865.17; Holmes; S Wild.

Organisers: Knutsford & DMC

Where: Demon Tweeks, Wrexham

Championships: MSA, BTRDA, WAMC, ANWCC, ANCC

Starters: 36

1 Alastair Moffatt (Mini Special) 668.7; 2 David Mosey (Mini Special) 692.5; 3 Stephen Wild (ABS Freestyle) 707.9; 4 Richard Pinkney (Caterham) 709.0; 5 Malcolm Livingston (Lindsay Special) 711.5; 6 Stuart Perren (Retrotester) 714.8; 7 Gavin Dickson (nova) 723.1; 8 Gordon Holmes (Westfield) 723.5; 9 John Moffatt (Nova) 733.3; 10 Steve Morten (RAW Striker) 737.2; . Class Winners: Howard Everingham (Mini) 778.8; Dickson; Pinkney; A Moffatt.